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Attached please find an explanation of why the response of February 26, 2007 was not responsive and an explanation of the election requirement in view of the removal of a requirement for election of species with regards to Group III.


Charles G Freay
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DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on February 26, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the applicant elected Group I with traverse; however, the election requirement set forth that a single species should be elected from each of Groups I-IV (see below. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).


The examiner notes that the applicant elected Group I. However, as set forth in the bottom of page 3 in the restriction requirement a single species from the Group I, a single species from Group II, a single species from Group III and a single species from group IV was required to be elected. After further consideration of the applicant's traversal the examiner has removed the requirement for an election from Group III (species 27 and 28, customer information data). Thus the applicant is required to make an election of one species from Group I (species 1-5), one species from Group II, (species 6-26), and one species from Group IV (species 29-37).

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charles G. Freay whose telephone number is 571-272-4827. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ehud Gartenberg can be reached on 571-272-4828. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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